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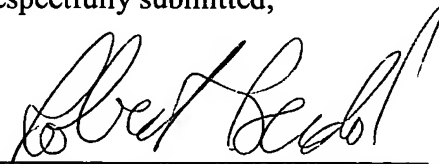
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This is an information disclosure statement submitted in compliance with the timing requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3).

Attached are copies of two Japanese-language patent publications. Any relevance of publication 09-058501 can be gleaned from the attached English-language translation. Any relevance of publication 2004-1630, which is also Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-160061, can be gleaned from page 4 of the present application, where this document is discussed. The documents are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

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